

GRREC Presents....

Building Capacity for Implementing and Sustaining Professional Learning Communities

"Organizations that provide for on-the-job learning will dominate the 21st century." (Drucker)

"The most successful corporation of the future will be a learning organization." (Senge)

"The path to change in the classroom lies within and through professional learning communities." (Dufour)

GRREC is pleased to provide our region two opportunities in 2008-09 to participate in a Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Coaching Academy. Through a partnership with Solution Tree, home of Professional Learning Communities at Work™, school-based teams will receive knowledge, skills, and tools they need to develop and sustain Professional Learning Communities in their schools. The program offers a unique form of interactive training combined with print, video, and online resources. Provided in three 2-day sessions over the course of the year, these Academies are designed for schools which have embraced the PLC concept and are ready to create or refine their implementation plan. Each day will keep participants on track for an optimal learning experience by defining a fundamental learning objective:

Day 1: What is a PLC?

Day 2: How do we create a focus on learning?

Day 3: Collaboration, teams, and student learning

Day 4: Results, assessment, goals, and celebrations

Day 5: Pyramid of interventions

Day 6: Continuous improvement

For:	Elementary, Middle and High School Teams consisting of the Principal and three teachers (schools may choose to include another administrator and two teachers)
Dates:	Academy I: <i>October 2-3; November 10-11; February 10-11</i> Academy II: <i>January 20-21; February 24-25 March 24-25</i>
Location:	Carroll Knicely Conference Center - 2355 Nashville Road - Bowling Green
Time:	8:30-3:30 (CDT) Registration and Continental Breakfast will begin at 8:00 a.m.
Cost:	\$300.00 per participant for all six sessions (\$1200 for a four-person team). Fee includes all materials and refreshment breaks. Lunches will be on your own
Materials:	Books, <i>Revisiting Professional Learning Communities at Work™: New Insights for Schools</i> and <i>Learning By Doing: A Handbook for PLC's at Work™</i> The PLC at Work™ Coaching Academy Binder complete with handouts, articles, and skill-building activities. Each Team will receive the PLC Toolkit (13 books, videos and online resources) Note: Value of materials is \$290 per person



Presenter Tim Brown, a Solution Tree Master Coach

In spite of the obstacles that today's schools face, it is possible to rise above these and achieve a positive, effective learning environment. Tim Brown is living proof. As the principal of Campbell Elementary School in Springfield, Missouri, he elevated the school to new heights. Despite high poverty within the community and school environment, Tim and his staff worked within their means to create and sustain a PLC that has earned national recognition for Campbell Elementary. Learn do's and don't's from someone who has succeeded with a school-wide PLC implementation model.

Registration Form

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Carroll Knicely Conference Center (WKU South Campus)

2355 Nashville Road Bowling Green

Please Print:

1. Principal Name: _____

2. Team Member Name: _____ Position _____

3. Team Member Name: _____ Position _____

4. Team Member Name: _____ Position _____

P.O. # _____ (required for registration) **Note:** Each district which has participating schools may send a Central Office Administrator at no cost. EILA credit will be provided to all administrators attending.

Check One: Our Team will attend Academy I _____ *October 2-3;* *November 10-11;* *February 10-11*

Our Team will attend Academy II _____ *January 20-21;* *February 24-25* *March 24-25*

Note: School districts (or schools) will be billed following the activity based upon registration. Cancellations must be made within five (5) working days of the activity to avoid being billed for fee. Substitutions will be allowed.

FAX THIS FORM TO GRREC AT (270) 745-5199

Registration Deadline: August 31, 2008

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